In the Matter of the Petition

of

FRANCES D. WESTFELT

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For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Personal Income : Taxes under Article(s) 22 of the Tax Law for the (Year(s) 1963 :

State of New York County of Albany

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Grossetto, Italy and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a (post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Post Office Department within the State of New York.

Porto Santo Stefano

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (representative of) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative of the) petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

10th day of

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200 Park Avenue
New York, New York 10017
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# STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

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### STATE TAX COMMISSION

NORMAN F. GALLMAN, PRESIDENT
A. BRUCE MANLEY
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STATE CAMPUS
ALBANY, N. Y. 12227

AREA CODE 518

457-2655, 6, 7

Dated:

Albany, New York

May 10, 1972

Frances D. Westfelt Villa Braggiotti Porto Santo Stefano Grossetto, Italy

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Please take notice of the the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

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Very truly yours,

Migel G. Wright Hearing Officer

cc Petitioner's Representative
Law Bureau

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DECISION

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In lieu of a hearing, petitioner agreed to submit the controversy upon the file of the Income Tax Bureau. Alexis C. Coudert and Emilio A. Dominianni of Coudert Brothers represented petitioner.

Such file has been duly examined and considered.

### **ISSUE**

The issue in this case is whether petitioner became a domiciliary of New York in 1957 and whether she changed her domicile to Italy in 1963.

## FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Petitioner was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois. She still receives her sole income from a trust in a Chicago bank. She married and moved to Virginia with her husband and raised a daughter there. She was divorced but continued to live in Virginia with her daughter.
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## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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she first arrived in Italy where she claims she did intend to live.

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### **DECISION**

The petition is denied and the deficiency is affirmed together with such interest, if any, as may be due pursuant to section 684 of the Tax Law.

DATED: Albany, New York

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### **MEMORANDUM**

Mr. Louis Etlinger, Chief, Review Unit TO:

DATE: 8/21/72

Att: Floyd Worden Income Tax Bureau Room 104, Building #8

FROM:

Hearing Unit

Room 214A, Building #9

RE: Frances D/ Westfelt

Villa Braggiotti Porto Santo Stefano Grossetto, Italy

SOCIAL SECURITY NO.

Please advise as to the last known address for the above named taxpayer.

Hearing Officer

Taxpayer's last known address is:

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Department of Taxation and Finance STATE OF NEW YORK ALBANY, N. Y. 12227

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